



COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Proposal for a

COUNCIL DECISION

ON THE CONCLUSION OF THE ADDITIONAL PROTOCOL TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE
EUROPEAN COMMUNITY AND THE REPUBLIC OF ICELAND CONSEQUENT ON THE ACCESSION
OF THE REPUBLIC OF AUSTRIA, THE REPUBLIC OF FINLAND AND THE KINGDOM OF
SWEDEN TO THE EUROPEAN UNION

(presented by the Commission)

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

Following the accession of the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Finland and the Kingdom of Sweden, it is necessary to adjust the arrangements for the import into the EU of certain fish products from Iceland.

The Council authorized the Commission to negotiate with Iceland and the negotiations have led to a draft Additional Protocol to the 1972 Iceland-EC trade agreement. This Protocol includes tariff quotas based on imports into the three new Member States from Iceland.

The Council is invited to approve the conclusion of the Additional Protocol in sufficient time to allow entry into force on 1 December 1995 with tariff quotas applicable retroactively from 1 January 1995.

COUNCIL DECISION

on the conclusion of the Additional Protocol to the Agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Iceland consequent on the accession of the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Finland and the Kingdom of Sweden to the European Union

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 113 thereof in conjunction with Article 228 (2) first sentence thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas the Commission has negotiated on behalf of the Community an Additional Protocol to the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Iceland (1), signed in Brussels on 22 July 1972, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Finland and the Kingdom of Sweden to the European Union;

Whereas the Additional Protocol should be approved,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The Additional Protocol to the Agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Iceland consequent on the accession of the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Finland and the Kingdom of Sweden to the European Union is hereby approved on behalf of the Community.

The text of the Additional protocol is attached to this Decision.

Article 2

The President of the Council is hereby authorised to designate the person empowered to sign the Additional Protocol in order to bind the Community.

Done at Brussels,

For the Council
The President

(1) OJ No L301, 31.12.1972, p.3

ADDITIONAL PROTOCOL

to the agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Iceland consequent on the accession of the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Finland and the Kingdom of Sweden to the European Union:

THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY,

of the one part,

and

THE REPUBLIC OF ICELAND

of the other part,

HAVING REGARD to the Agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Iceland signed in Brussels on 22 July 1972, hereinafter called the "Agreement".

HAVING REGARD to the accession of the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Finland and the Kingdom of Sweden to the European Union on 1 January 1995,

CONSIDERING that in order to maintain trade flows between Iceland on the one hand and the new Member States on the other hand, it is necessary to make adjustments to arrangements applicable to trade in fisheries between Iceland and the Community;

HAVE DECIDED to determine by common accord the adjustments to the Agreement consequent on the accession of the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Finland and the Kingdom of Sweden to the European Union, AND TO CONCLUDE THIS PROTOCOL :

Article 1

The text of the Agreement, the Annexes and Protocols, which form an integral part thereof, the Final Act and the declarations annexed thereto shall be drawn up in the Finnish and Swedish languages and those texts shall be authentic in the same way as the original texts. The Joint Committee shall approve the Finnish and Swedish texts.

Article 2

The special provisions applicable to imports into the Community of certain fishery products originating in Iceland are laid down in the Annex to this Protocol.

Article 3

The Annex to this Protocol forms an integral part thereof. This Protocol forms an integral part of the Agreement.

Article 4

This Protocol shall be approved by the Contracting Parties in accordance with their own procedures. It shall enter into force on 1 December 1995 provided that the Contracting Parties have notified each other before that date that the procedures necessary to this end have been completed. After that date, the Protocol shall enter into force on the first day of the second month following such notification. It shall be applicable as from 1 January 1995.

Article 5

This Protocol is drawn up in duplicate, in the Danish, Dutch, English, Finnish, French, German, Greek, Italian, Portuguese, Spanish, Swedish and Icelandic languages, each of these texts being equally authentic.

Annex

List of products referred to in Article 2
(Products originating in Iceland for which the Community grants tariff quotas)

	CN Code	Description	Quota (tonnes)
1	0302 12 00	Salmon, fresh or chilled	50
	0304 10 13	Salmon fillets, fresh or chilled	
	0304 20 13	Salmon fillets, frozen	
2	0302 23 00	Sole, fresh or chilled	250
	0302 29 10	Megrim, fresh or chilled	
	0302 29 90	Other flat fish, fresh or chilled	
	0302 69 85	Blue whiting, fresh or chilled	
	0303 32 00	Plaice, frozen	
	0303 79 96	Other saltwater fish, frozen	
	0304 10 19	Fillets of other freshwater fish, fresh or chilled	
	0304 10 33	Fillets of coalfish, fresh or chilled	
	0304 10 35	Fillets of redfish, fresh or chilled	
	ex 0304 10 38	Fillets of other saltwater fish, excluding herring and mackerel, fresh or chilled	
	0304 10 98	Meat of other saltwater fish, fresh or chilled	
	0304 20 19	Fillets of other freshwater fish, frozen	
	0304 90 35	Frozen meat of cod of the species <i>Gadus macrocephalus</i>	
	0304 90 38	Frozen meat of cod of the species <i>Gadus morhua</i>	
	0304 90 39	Frozen meat of <i>Gadus ogac</i> and of fish of the species <i>Boreogadus saida</i>	
	0304 90 41	Frozen meat of coalfish	
	0304 90 47	Frozen meat of hake of the genus <i>Merluccius</i>	
	0304 90 59	Frozen meat of blue whiting	
	ex 0304 90 97	Frozen meat of other saltwater fish, excluding mackerel	
3	0305 61 00	Herrings, salted but not dried or smoked and herrings in brine	1750
4	0306 19 30	Norway lobsters frozen	50

5	1604 12 91	Other prepared or preserved herrings, in airtight containers	2400
	1604 12 99	Other prepared or preserved herrings, other	
6	1604 19 98	Prepared or preserved other fish, whole or in pieces	50
	ex 1604 20 90	Prepared or preserved meat of other fish, excluding herring and mackerel	

These tariffs apply from 1 January to 31 December each year. For the amount indicated for each product group, Community imports originating in Iceland can be released for free circulation at 0% import duty.

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